

NORTHERN ONLINE ACADEMY

SECONDARY FAMILY PRESENTATION

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- **What is the program?**

- *Homeschool* – providing education for your child through one of the four state regulated options ([Homeschool Law](#))
- *Remote Learning* – learning that takes place over distance for a time frame due to not being able to participate in person
- *Cyber School* – all schooling aspects are done through an online platform

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- **What is the Northern Online Academy Cyber program?**
 - Local consortium partnered with the CAIU called Capital Area Online Learning Association (CAOLA)
 - Cyber option for our students
 - Students are Polar Bears and remain at Northern
 - Students enroll in the cyber school program
 - Regional, comprehensive and student-centered learning opportunity
 - Teachers serve as learning coaches supporting the learning process
 - Vendors provide curriculum and instructional content
 - Accelerate Education (Elementary)
 - Edison and eDynamic (Secondary)
 - APEX Learning (Secondary – AP Courses)

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- **Student Profile – Who?**

- **Previously**

- Students in grades 6-12 can apply
 - Increase learning options
 - Provide flexibility and personalized experience
 - Need another environment

- **Recent changes include**

- Structured environment with shifts in regulations
 - Safety
 - Open to students in grades K-5

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- Attendance Expectations
 - Measured through weekly assignment completion based on Enrollment Form
 - State Law states that parents/legal guardians are responsible for ensuring students attend school as per compulsory attendance ([Compulsory Attendance Fact Sheet](#))
- Excused Absences
 - Illness, School Approved Activity, Parental Excuse, Discipline Actions
- Students that are unable to meet weekly expectations will result in conferencing with school staff
 - If concerns continue, students will be required to come into school for support and may be removed from the cyber program

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- Family Responsibility
 - Attend the Northern Online Academy Cyber School enrollment meeting
 - Sign contract with Online Coordinator and Counselor
 - Login weekly to monitor progress
 - Provide physical environment for student success
 - Assist student with documents, forms and school needs
 - Monitor school computer use for appropriateness of access and usage
 - Notify the school of any change in contact information
 - Provide transportation as needed to participate in testing or make-up days
 - Communicate needs to counselors for support and continued progress
 - Communicate with counselor/advisor for scheduled absences

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- Academic Support and Placement
 - Curriculum is aligned with PA State Standards and vetted by highly qualified teachers
 - There are multiple modalities of learning for students in each lesson
 - School counselors/representative, families and students will work together to determine proper course placements
 - Each student has online teachers that monitor their progress in their courses and can create interventions to help master content
 - School Counselors can assist with progress monitoring and help coordinate assistance
 - Students are required to continue with state mandated testing and will be contacted by the school's assessment coordinator (Keystone/PSSA)
 - Students have 24/7 access to their courses with the academic week starting on Monday at 12:01 AM and ending on Sunday at 11:59 PM.

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- **Withdrawing**
 - Students withdrawing from the program must have written legal parent/guardian reason for withdrawal and information provided for where the student will be enrolled
- **Transferring**
 - If transferring to another district in partnership with CAOLA, coursework may be able to transfer
 - If absent from the area for multiple weeks, a temporary transfer of location form would need completed
- **Dropping Courses**
 - Students have 14 days to drop an enrollment without incurring penalty (including weekends)

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- Student Services
 - Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)
 - Northern York County SD follows FERPA and requires that requests for academic records be made to the school of residence where all academic records are maintained
 - Student Records
 - A cumulative folder is maintained while students are enrolled in Northern York County SD and only contains verified information of educational importance and may be used for the benefit, promotion and welfare of the student
 - Special Education Services
 - Northern York County SD is required under Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) therefore students with Individualized Education Plans (IEP) or 504 plans will be accommodated within their coursework. A student's evaluation report and IEP will be used to determine if their needs can be met in an online setting effectively

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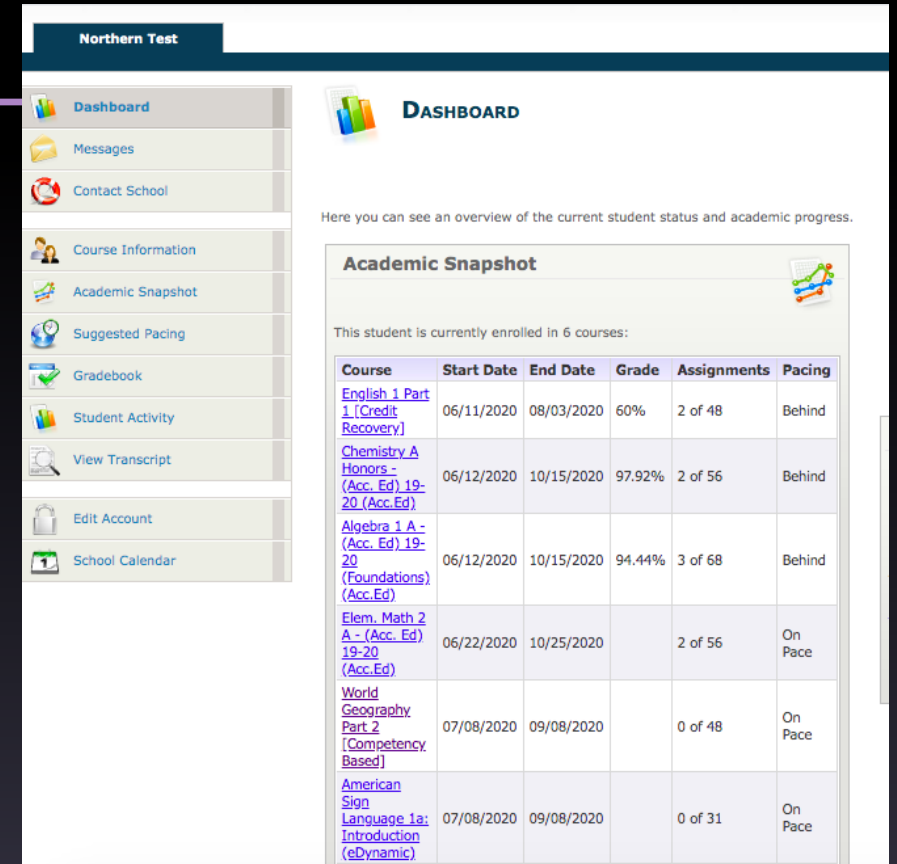
- Grading
 - Lesson based assessments are graded quickly while the designated teacher grades quizzes, tests and written responses
 - Teachers will have 48-72 hours to grade submitted work (not including weekends) and provide feedback
 - Uncompleted assignments or not submitted properly will be graded as a zero when grades are finalized

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- Field Trips, Social Activities and Athletics/Clubs
 - Students are Northern York County SD and are encouraged to participate in school sponsored activities and events
 - Students missing work due to trips will be required to provide information to the school prior to missing
 - Eligibility for participation in athletics will be dependent upon grades and completion of expected coursework in compliance with PIAA guidelines

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- Northern Online Academy is partnered with CAOLA which provides the Genius platform to access coursework
- Vendors at the secondary level are primarily Edison and eDynamic which are accessed through the Genius platform



Northern Test

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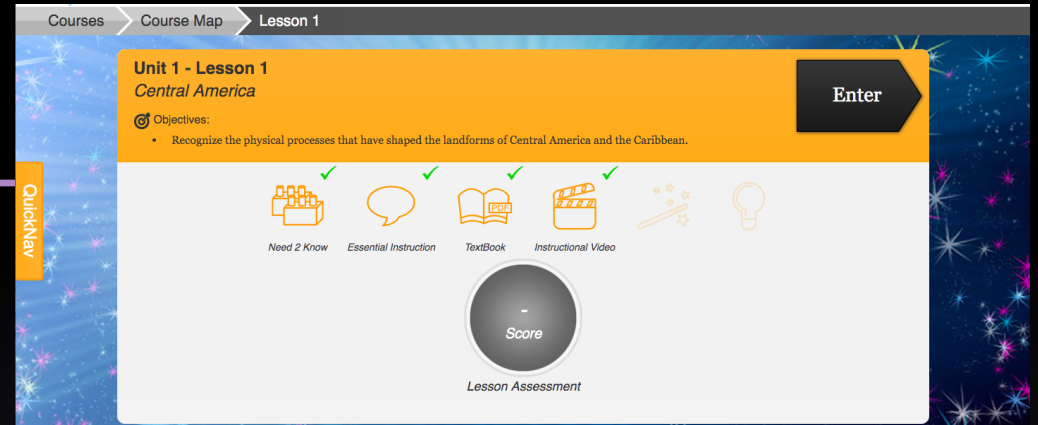
Here you can see an overview of the current student status and academic progress.

Academic Snapshot

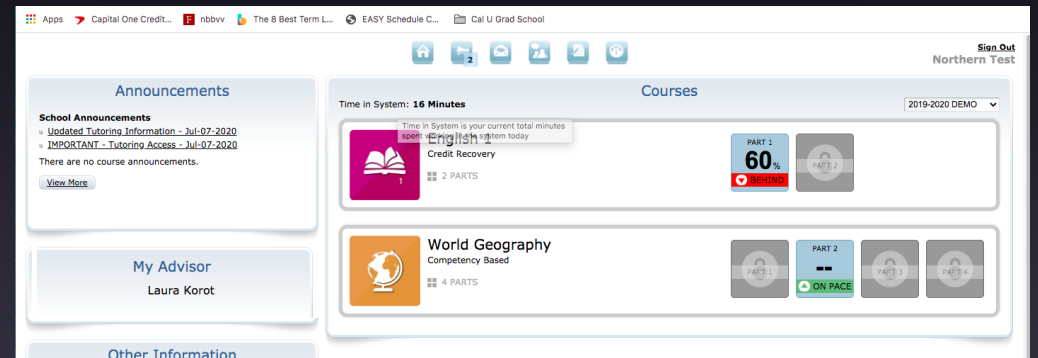
This student is currently enrolled in 6 courses:

Course	Start Date	End Date	Grade	Assignments	Pacing
English 1 Part 1 [Credit Recovery]	06/11/2020	08/03/2020	60%	2 of 48	Behind
Chemistry A Honors - (Acc. Ed) 19-20 (Acc.Ed)	06/12/2020	10/15/2020	97.92%	2 of 56	Behind
Algebra 1 A - (Acc. Ed) 19-20 (Foundations) (Acc.Ed)	06/12/2020	10/15/2020	94.44%	3 of 68	Behind
Elem. Math 2 A - (Acc. Ed) 19-20 (Acc.Ed)	06/22/2020	10/25/2020		2 of 56	On Pace
World Geography Part 2 [Competency Based]	07/08/2020	09/08/2020		0 of 48	On Pace
American Sign Language 1a: Introduction (eDynamic)	07/08/2020	09/08/2020		0 of 31	On Pace

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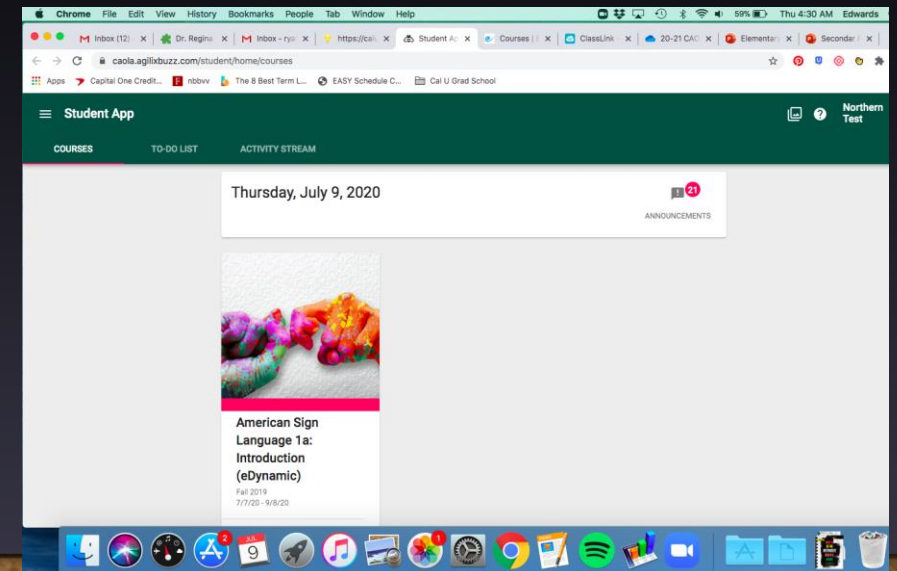
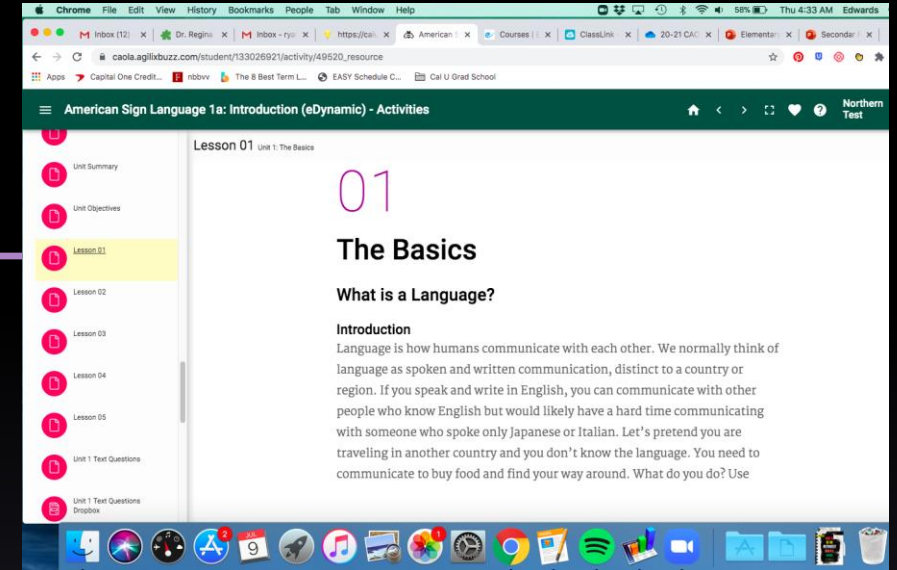


- Edison
 - Primarily provides core subjects
 - Students work through instructional materials provided in an array of modalities
 - Assessments used at the end of lessons to check for understanding and to progress in coursework
 - Courses have three units with multiple lessons within each unit



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- eDynamic
 - Provides an array of elective credit options
 - Instructional materials are provided through multiple modalities
 - Courses have multiple units with assignments, assessments, discussion boards and other methods to provide a well-rounded learning experience



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- Available Resources
 - CAOLA Helpdesk (717-732-8403)
 - Navigation and programmatic concerns
 - CAOLA Tutoring hotline if needing support during the academic day (885-534-3996)
 - Teacher support
 - Student device provided and loaned from the district for access

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- Creating a successful environment for your child:
 - Establishing a designated area for school
 - Quiet, free of distraction...
 - Daily routines to provide structure and consistency for learning
 - Set schedule of times for your child to work
 - Establishing breaks and re-engagement times
 - Engaging in the learning process with your child
 - Ask questions and engage in learning
 - Use the Learning Coach content to engage in dialogue and encourage continuation of the learning process



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- Next Steps
 - Registering for the Northern Online Academy is committing to at least the first marking period of the school year.
 - If committing to enroll in the Northern Online Academy:
 - Notify your child's building principal
 - redwards@northernnyork.org – Mr. Edwards – Northern High School (717) 432-8691 x2002
 - tsauer@northernnyork.org – Mr. Sauer – Northern Middle School (717) 432-8691 x1300
 - An enrollment meeting will be scheduled
- Questions about our Northern Online Academy